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## UNO's athletic department accomplishes what few schools dare to dream this year

NATHAN LEETE  
SPORTS EDITOR

Over the course of the 2004-2005 school year the UNO athletic department has accomplished more than most colleges can even dream about.

UNO has won a literal handful of North Central Conference titles already this year. Five, to be exact, in football, soccer, men's basketball, swimming and diving and tennis. On top of that UNO is home to the back-to-back national champion wrestling team, a soccer team who has been in the final four three straight years, an NCAA fifth-place indoor track and field team and a swimming and diving team who has been NCAA top ten for six years running.

All of these accomplishments alone are enough to make any school proud, but the UNO athletics department did one better. Not one athletic program will finish with a losing record this year.

Of the teams left competing, baseball sits atop the NCC rankings, — and is guaranteed to finish no less than 10 games above .500 — and softball sits at No. 2 in conference and has already secured a winning mark. Both teams

still have a shot at being conference champs. Tennis is going to nationals, golf is swinging for an NCC title and the outdoor track and field team is a favorite for another NCAA top-five finish. By year's end UNO could add up four more conference banners.

UNO Athletics Director David Herbster was very pleased with the program as a whole this year.

"It's what you are always aiming for," Herbster said. "Even though you aim for

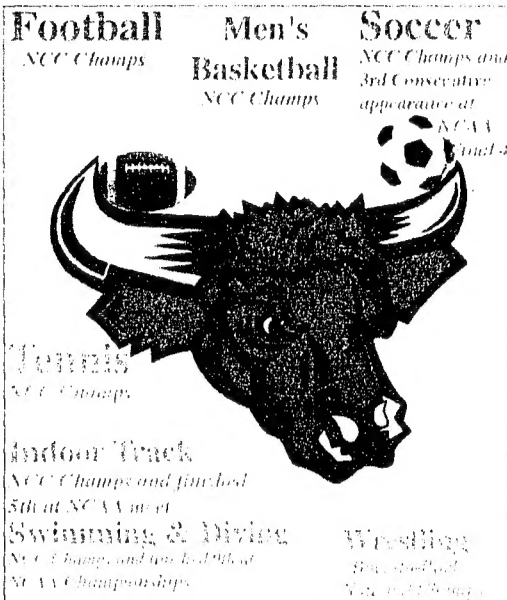


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it, there are so many things that can happen that you never expect to accomplish what we've done. This will help us in two ways. First and foremost, it should put the university on the national scene in a big way. Secondly, success breeds success. The different programs feed off of each other's success. Kids that are looking to play college sports will see how strong our program is all around and want to be a part of that tradition."

Herbster credits the coaches and the athletes for the success of all of the programs, as well as former UNO Athletics Director Bob Danenhauer.

"These kinds of achievements were set up two to three years ago when the current

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## Commencement march set for Friday, May 6

ANGI SADA  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

More than 800 UNO students will walk through the Omaha Civic Auditorium May 6 before a crowd of parents, instructors and friends in the Spring 2004-2005 commencement ceremonies. The event will begin at 2:00 p.m.

According to Tammi French in the registrar's office, more than 1,250 students will actually graduate at the end of the current semester. These students will receive their diplomas by mail after May 27.

John Gottschalk, publisher of the Omaha World Herald, will speak to the students attending the afternoon ceremony.

Scott V. Ptacnik will give the student commencement address. He will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in management information systems.

In addition to the graduates, several members of the community and faculty will receive honors.

The UNO Alumni Association

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## Out of the void With Teeth marks an evolution of NIN

REVIEW BY JOSH BASHARA  
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

It's times like this that I feel like it's OK to have faith in rock & roll again.

While cookie-cutter entertainers like 50 Cent and Gwen Stefani top the charts, people out there are still making real music. They don't care about sales ranks and merchandising possibilities — they create art because they want to, because they need to.

Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails is one of those few. The ex-band nerd who started playing with synthesizers in high school is now crowned as our generation's prince of darkness; an angst-ridden boy in a man's body whose own worst enemy is himself.

Reznor's new album, *With Teeth*, hits stores on May 3. Just a couple weeks later, he will turn 40. The new album, at its core, is the product of a mid-life crisis. And that what makes it extraordinary.

More than five years in the making, *With Teeth* abandons the conceptual style of 1999's

*The Fragile* and pays homage to *The Downward Spiral*—era of self-torture. Only this time around, things are a little more succinct, and Reznor seems content in knowing that there won't always be answers to the questions he asks.

Devoid of any instrumental tracks, *With*

*Teeth* features nearly one hour of distinctive, lyric-driven songs that are strikingly different from his earlier work, although still instantly recognizable as pure NIN.

Opening with the spooky-yet-upbeat, keyboard-driven "All The Love In The World," Reznor makes it clear to us that he's not out to exorcise any demons this time around, but maybe just poke fun a bit at the human condition.

Dave Grohl of the Foo Fighters steps in on drums to give a more organic feel to several songs on the album than any other NIN release of the past. "The Collector" and "Getting Smaller" are examples of guitar-heavy, live drum rock jams that discard nearly every element of the industrial genre.

Don't pull out your bottle of makeup remover just yet, though — there are still plenty



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## Jazza on the plaza



Second year grad student Jon Pinkerton sings "I Whisper Your Name" during Jazza on the Plaza Wednesday. The UNO Jazz Combo 1 and Jazz Combo 2 groups performed in front of the MBSC Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Caelan Millard

### Omaha Weather



Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Chance of Rain H: 51 L: 37	Partly Cloudy H: 57 L: 38	Partly Cloudy H: 60 L: 40	Partly Cloudy H: 63 L: 42

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## News Briefs

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NEWS EDITOR

### Customer appreciation sale under way at UNO Bookstore

The UNO Bookstore is hosting a customer appreciation sale through today.

Customers who buy one UNO/Maverick apparel item at regular price will receive the second item at half price. This sale applies to items in stock of equal or lesser value.

Bookstore hours during the sale are as follows:

Monday through Thursday  
7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday  
7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday, April 30  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Heartland Philharmonic Orchestra to present "Grand Finale" concert Sunday

The UNO Heartland Philharmonic Orchestra will perform their final program of the season, "Grand Finale," Sunday. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Strauss Performing Arts Center Recital Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults, and \$4 for students and seniors.

Anne Nagosky, violinist with the Omaha Symphony Orchestra and instructor of violin at UNO, will join the orchestra for a performance

of Mozart's Violin Concerto No. 4. Christopher Stanichar, assistant professor of music at UNO, will conduct the program, which will also include his original composition titled *Sunflowers* and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5.

### Book buy back April 27-May 6

The UNO Bookstore will host its "book buy back" event now through Friday, May 6. You must have a current university ID to participate.

The buy back program will run during regular bookstore hours listed above.

For more information, contact Jacinda Brooks at 554-2360.

### Douglas County Voters' Guide available

The Douglas County Voters' Guide, published annually by the League of Women Voters of Greater Omaha, is an unbiased, non-partisan look at all candidates running in the May 10 general election.

Included are brief biographies of each candidate plus their answers on issues of current concern to voters.

The guide is available in the Eppley Administration Building University Affairs office, room 108, and the UNO School of Communication in room 140 in the Arts and Sciences Hall.

## Campus crime log

COMPILED BY KIMBERLY BRYANT  
STAFF WRITER

### Thursday, April 21, 2005

12:30 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from Arts and Sciences Hall. Incident occurred between 11:15 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

### Saturday, April 23, 2005

4 p.m. Student reported theft of personal

property from exterior of Scott Residence Hall. Incident occurred between 5 p.m., Saturday, April 9, 2005 and 4 p.m., Saturday, April 23, 2005.

### Sunday, April 24, 2005

4 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from vehicle parked in Q Lot. Incident occurred between 1 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.

From COMMENCEMENT: Page 1 will honor Omaha Police Department Chief Thomas Warren. He will be given the group's Citation for Alumnus Achievement. Warren received his master's degree in criminal justice from UNO.

Maggie Lehning, the chairwoman of the Diet Pepsi UNO Women's Walk, will be given the Order of the Tower, UNO's highest non-academic award, for her involvement with fundraising in the UNO community.

Ann Mactier will receive an honorary

doctorate of education. Mactier is also a UNO alumnus, receiving her bachelor of science degree from Northwestern University and her bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees from UNO. She was a coordinator in the UNO College of Fine Arts.

In order to graduate, students were required to submit an application for graduation by March 11 on E-Bruno. A fee of \$25 is required at the time of graduation.

## Facilities' hours on campus to change for summer sessions

ANGI SADA  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

In response to students leaving the area or seeking summer jobs, facilities on campus shorten their hours and lessen the availability of services. Included among these are the Crossroads shuttle service, many departmental office hours and Student Health services.

According to a representative from Student Health Services, the facilities' hours will change from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Jim Welch, director of the Milo Bail Student Center, said the "lack of activity" in the building is the reason behind the change in their hours.

"We're still open seven days a week," Welch said.

The daily hours change to Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. On Saturdays the student center will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday hours will be noon until 5 p.m.

Most notably, the Crossroads shuttle service will be eliminated during the summer and brought back at the fall semester.

According to Paul Kosel, manager of campus security, the service is stopped for the summer sessions because there is plenty of parking on campus and because the demand for the service decreases during the summer.

"We reduce the hours down because we don't have a day session in May. We really

only run the shuttles until six o'clock at night and its only between north and south campus for the summertime," Kosel said.

"We don't run it to Crossroads during the summer because there is ample parking on campus. Of course, in the summer you don't have that ability to park for free, but it's also a lot cheaper during the summer," Kosel said, referring to the availability of garage parking passes.

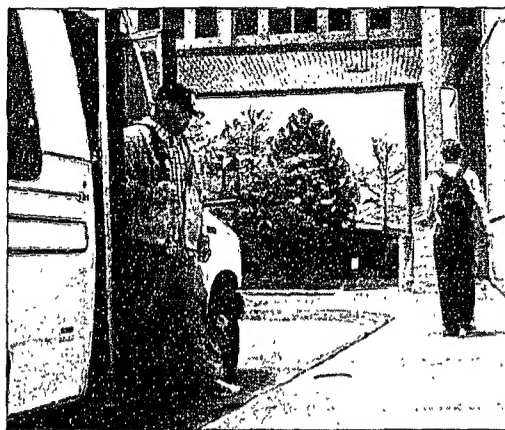
If a parking pass is not an option for students, staff

and faculty, daily garage parking is available for one dollar all day during the summer.

"Right now you have to wait until 12:30 p.m. During the summertime we flip that feature around," Kosel said.

The library's hours are available at [library.unomaha.edu](http://library.unomaha.edu). Individual department hours are available through the departments.

These changes will take go into effect the week after the spring semester ends.



Caelan Millerd

Senior Jason Cross steps off the Crossroads shuttle bus Wednesday, April 27.



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# FEATURES

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## 20 Questions for the Gateway editor

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FEATURES EDITOR

Name: J. Parker Adair  
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News-editorial  
Year: Redshirt  
sophomore  
Hometown: Omaha

1. Describe yourself  
in five words:

"Passionate, friendly,  
outgoing, nothing  
special."

2. What do you want to be when  
you grow up?

"Tall, a columnist for *Sports Illustrated*  
or run a small-town newspaper. Either of  
those three would be great."

3. What was your biggest challenge  
as Editor-in-chief?

"Making sure the team atmosphere  
was present and that we all felt we could  
count on one another."

4. What is your advice for the next  
editor-in-chief?

"Crack the whip. Make sure you're on  
top of things. Don't let your heart get the  
best of you, do what's best for the paper."

5. If you could live anywhere, where  
would it be?

"Home is where you hang your hat.  
Wherever I live, I  
want it to be home."

6. What  
are your goals for  
the future?

"To graduate  
at some point this  
decade. Start my  
journalism career  
and start a family."

7. What is your most proud  
accomplishment?

"I don't feel like my accomplishments  
are mine alone. A lot of people helped me  
get where I am, but my favorite would  
be winning the (Society of Professional  
Journalists) regional award for best sports  
column."

8. What would you change about  
yourself?

"My organizational skills, especially  
financially."

9. Where do you see yourself in 10  
years?

"Still at UNO. No, seriously, hopefully  
on the path to a good journalism career."

10. How would you change the  
world?

"I want everyone to get along."

11. What would you change about  
UNO?

"Besides the parking, more continuity  
with the Internet. I don't like having more  
than one log-in name. I also don't like having  
multiple key cards. They disappear."

12. What advice would you give to  
incoming freshmen?

"Don't schedule a 7 a.m. algebra class.  
Stay on top of things."

13. What would you like to say to  
professors?

"Thank you for your patience and  
understanding. Also for pushing me and  
holding me accountable for my actions."

14. What is your favorite band?

"Anchondo. I've been a fan since day  
one, but my favorite song is 'The Star  
Spangled Banner.'"

15. What is your favorite movie?

"*Vision Quest* and  
*American Beauty*."

16. What is the best  
place you've visited?

"Prague, Czech

Republic."

17. If you could meet anyone from  
history, who would it be and what would  
you ask them?

"Leonardo DaVinci or Ben Franklin—  
'How did you do it all and still stay sane?'"

18. Who are your favorite actor and  
actress?

"Denzell Washington, Matt Damon.  
Julia Roberts and Sandra Bullock are my  
favorite actresses. I would take either of  
them in a heartbeat."

19. If you could trade places with  
anyone for a day, who would it be?

"My mom, just to see what she goes  
through each day and to see myself in  
someone else's shoes"

20. What is your favorite quote?

"Anything from John Wooden and 'We  
always have room for improvement. We  
always need to ask ourselves 'Did I get  
better today? Did I learn something?' from  
women's basketball coach Patty Patton  
Shearer."

## Catching the new styles before they stike out

Each season  
brings along  
with it different  
temperatures,  
types of  
precipitation  
(and some  
different kinds  
of perspiration  
— eww) and the  
newest styles that  
will have spread  
everywhere come  
fall (remember  
that Juicy dress  
and its scores of imitations last year?)

This summer there is that usual crop  
of new style that is so fresh, I encourage  
you to partake before the time comes to  
weed them out of your wardrobe. It is easy  
to find these looks for cheap, and easy to  
pull them off when you use one at a time  
with your favorite worn-in pieces.

My personal favorite look is still  
basically bumming it: old tees, comfy  
anything and that I-really-just-rolled-out-  
of-bed look. But as college students I'm  
pretty sure most of us have that covered.  
Here are some alternatives just in case:

**Key Piece:** Cotton prairie skirts. These  
are not hard to find, and are pretty versatile.  
Some are embellished, some are plain.  
Most are mid-length, hitting anywhere  
between the knee and ankle. **Dressing up?**  
Add a couple layered ribbed tanks and  
belt it up. Those braided metallic belts look  
good, or any Native-American style belt,  
too. Make sure it is not too chunky and  
not too thin. **Dressing down?** Throw on a  
vintage T-shirt and some flip-flops. Either  
way, throw on some extra-long necklaces  
to complete the look.

### Real Fashion



Alex May

**Key Piece:** Long shorts. Some  
call them boy shorts, some call  
them Bermuda shorts, and I call  
them pretty cute. They  
come in  
all colors  
and some  
patterns.

**Dressing  
up?** Layer  
a cardigan  
over a cami  
and add  
some cuff

bracelets. **Dressing  
down?** A simple  
fitted tee or tank will  
do the trick.

**Key Piece:**  
Cowboy  
boots: These can get pricey  
... last year I had my  
eye on a pair at a  
western wear store  
that were over \$250.  
They were pink, and  
they were beautiful.  
Then I found a cute  
camel-colored pair  
at the thrift store,  
and despite the fact  
that one is just a little  
snugger than the  
other, I love them.  
It's really a bonus if  
you find a slouchy  
pair. **Dressing up?**  
Throw them on  
with a skirt and jean  
jacket, embellished  
T-shirt or tank or  
a light button-up

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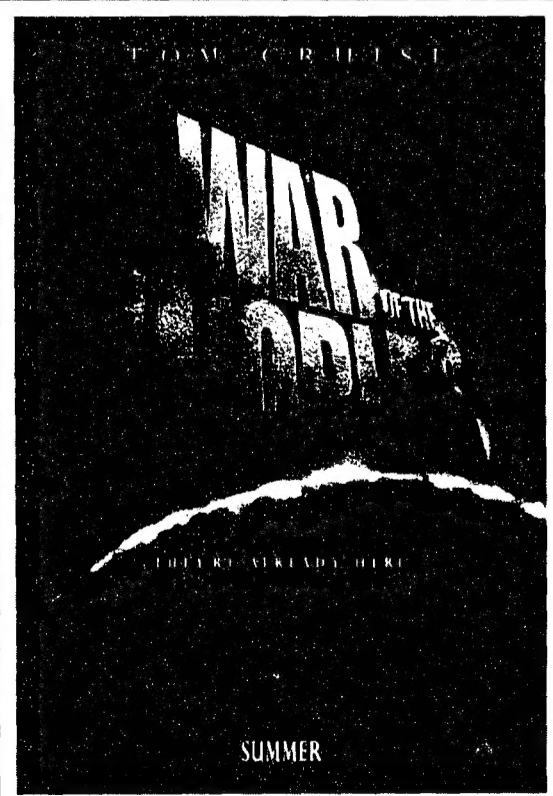
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## Lady DJ from New Mexico and summer fun on deck for Omaha

The end of the semester is here, and while your studious obligations are winding down, the summer heat is nudging itself from between the clouds. From blooming flowers to spring showers, the fair weather means a fair playing field for all sorts of quality events. You've been shackled in your cabin all winter long. Now let's get out and boogie.

To kick off the summer and set you UNO students off right, UltraMusique and Omaha Nightlife have teamed up to bring an imported treat. DJ Chrystalline from New Mexico is making her way to Omaha and Lincoln the very same weekend school gets out.

On May 6, you can enjoy funk flavors and soul-fulfilled house beats at Bricktop (1427 O St., Lincoln) from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., courtesy of Chrystalline. Lincoln is notorious for its college-party-vibe atmosphere, so this night will be nothing short of a wild ride. But if dodging state patrolmen on I-80 that are eager to put swerving drivers in their rightful place isn't your cup of tea, Chrystalline will be playing at Bar 415 (415 S. 13<sup>th</sup> St.) in Omaha, on May 7.

A little info on Chrystalline...

This female DJ is at the top of her game when it comes to the New Mexico house scene. From weeklies, monthlies or one-off events, Chrystalline is most likely involved in it. Under her production company, Tiva, Chrystalline has co-hosted events that brought Ben Watt, Mark Farina, Miguel Migs and Lady D. With residencies throughout Taos, Albuquerque and Santa Fe, Chrystalline has DJed at all the top clubs in the area and has worked with Chicago house pioneer Roy Davis Jr., where she performed the vocals for the track, "I Love You So."

Being an advocate of women in the music industry, Chrystalline founded LadyDJs.com to support the national female DJ scene. And while this female DJ has been rocking the decks for the past five years, it is her passion and creative outlook on music and art that sets her apart from the norm.

"When the men and women of my

### On The Beat



Brent Crampton

tribe drum and sing and the women dance in unison, there is an amazing surge of energy, and a feeling of community," Chrystalline states in her bio. "It's a very similar interaction at a gathering with a DJ and the crowd — when everyone is feeling the same beat and there is that sense of community for that moment you aren't focusing on what divides you, there is a common connection that is so powerful."

And to forecast for you what is to come for the summer, here are some other not-to-miss events...

UltraMusique is at it again with another boat party lined up for the eve of Memorial Day. You've got an extra day added to the weekend, so you know you are going to head out, it's just all a matter of where. And when we are talking three levels of DJs, a 300-person-capacity boat cruising the Missouri with the Omaha city-skyline in the background, breeze blowing through your hair and lights shooting off to all corners of your cornea, the decision isn't hard on what you'll be doing.

Few details have been released as of yet, but except live performance and a plethora of fun. Go to [www.ultramusique.com](http://www.ultramusique.com) for tickets and more details.

On the subject of big events, perhaps the biggest event for electronic music of the region this summer will be taking place in Kansas City, Mo. On July 29 at the Uptown Theater, Chaos Theory 3 will make its mark. With previous Chaos Theory parties having packed thousands of people in the multiple-roomed venue and headlining talent such as the commercialized Richard Humpty Vission, breaks don Baby Anne and Nigel Richards, you might want to take the time out to go to this. One of the promoters for the show, Lee Burgess, said this year's Chaos Theory will be the biggest ever. The talent roster hasn't been announced for the show yet, but stay tuned to [www.chaostheory.biz](http://www.chaostheory.biz) for forthcoming information.

With that note, I leave you in good hands for the summer months ahead.

## Hip-Hop Notes

COMMENTARY BY JULIAN IVEY  
STAFF WRITER

Kanye West has been putting the finishing touches on his new album, *Late Registration*. West's sophomore release is due out July 12 and includes guest appearances by John Legend and John Mayer. Jay-Z went with him to New York's Hot 97 radio station to premiere his new song, "Diamonds." The cut is featured on the album and addresses the alleged death of Roc-A-Fella Records.

It's all simple business and name recognition here.

Jay-Z became the new head of Def Jam Records. Def Jam has been Roc-A-Fella's distributor for a long time. Just like Interscope distributes Aftermath, Shady, G-Unit, Ruff Ryders, etc. In the business they're called joint ventures.

When Jay took over Def Jam, he kept Roc-A-Fella with him and bought out his other partners, Dame Dash and Kareem Burke. Dash and Burke formed the **Dame Dash Music Group** which is a joint-venture with none other than Def Jam. They split the roster and added a couple of new faces.

This all went down at the beginning of the year. If you check the archives online, my first article of this semester talks about Cam'ron going to Jay-Z when this became official and requesting a release from his contract, which was granted.

West has also been working with Common on his new album, *Be*. The CD is a collaboration between Common's label and West's label, just like the Snoop Dogg collaboration *Rhythm and Gangsta* is with Neptunes.

Early leaks of the album have met with mixed reviews but Common says the leaked version is not *Be*'s final version. The album should be in stores soon.

Fat Joe has pushed back *All or Nothing*

to coincide with the release of his next single, "Get it Poppin," which features Nelly. Joe wanted to add a few more tracks to the project before it was released. He is currently touring with Nelly and T.I.

Maybe Lil' Flip will make a guest appearance on the tour because T.I. and Lil' Flip have squashed their beef. Reports are that the two decided — after their recent scuffle in Houston — to meet individually, and they ended their feud.

T.I. is also prepping the release of his **Pimp Squad Clique's** debut album, *25 to Life*. The first single from the CD will be "Set It Out," and the album should be in stores June 28.

Remember that guy who sounds like Ja Rule? I think DMX is his name. Well X, not X to the Z, was recently arrested after triggering a three-car crash in New York City. Seems he was driving on a suspended license and one of the vehicles involved in the accident was a police car with two officers in it. No one was hurt and X only spent a few hours in jail.

**Bone Thugs** are working with Dr. Dre, Kanye West and Swiss beats on its upcoming album. No word yet on how many members we'll get this time. I really enjoy Bone when the four original members are together. Besides that I don't like much of their solo stuff, except Bizzy's.

**Sleek Louch** of the Lox is reppin' the D-Block with his diss track, "Clickity Clank." On the track, Louch takes aim at 50, Bank, and Buck but not Olivia or Yayo. I like it. Sheek obviously knows him well 'cause he touches on a lot 50's personal issues.

I have a couple of things to tell you before I go. I'm really feelin' the new Lil' Webbie track, and Mike Jones has changed his phone number but he has a new one for you to call. Lots of rappers handling their business take time to handle yours. Have a productive summer and drive safe.

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## UNO track splits travel between Drake Relays and NCC heptathlon

THOMAS LAMAY  
STAFF WRITER

Several UNO athletes will head out of town this weekend as the UNO track and field team nears the end of a stellar season. Foluso Makinde, the 400-meter, 1600-meter and distance medley relay teams will compete at the Drake Relays, in Des Moines, Iowa. Debbie Akerly, Kalyn Byers, Julie Gass, and Anastasia Kyvelidou will travel to Grand Forks, N.D., for the North Central Conference Heptathlon.

The Drake Relays, known as America's Athletic Classic, has attracted world class athletes like Jesse Owens, Carl Lewis, Suzy Favor Hamilton, and Michael Johnson to lace up their spikes on the famous "Blue Oval." This year Olympic high jumpers Amy Acuff and Matt Hemingway, hurdler Joey Woody and 400-meter runner Jeremy Warner will compete.

Several Mavericks look at the Drake Relays as a litmus test for nationals, competing against elite athletes in front of 18,000 fans.

Senior Molly Miller is excited to compete for the first time at the Drake Relays, with a part in the distance medley relay.

"It will be a really tough meet, but it will be a really good experience, just to be at Drake," Miller said.

Foluso Makinde placed fourth in the university and college division long jump last year. In a field heavily saturated with Division I athletes and a driving rain, Makinde jumped 18 feet, 4 inches. This year, Makinde will jump against the country's

best, including April Holliness of Baylor, who placed third at the NCAA Division I Outdoor Championships in 2004.

In the distance medley relay, the Mavericks will face some of the nation's top Division II and small college relay teams. Each of the four members of the team will run a different length on the track; 400 meters, 800 meters, 1200 meters and 1600 meters. The event is one of the most popular at the Drake Relays.

The women's 3200-meter relay team will get a preview of things to come at the NCC Championships when they face off with South Dakota and North Dakota. Also competing in the event will be runners from Southwest Baptist, Lewis and Concordia. The 1600-meter relay, a team with national intentions, will face South Dakota and Minnesota-Duluth in the preliminary round. The final round will possibly put the Mavericks against Lincoln University, who beat them at last year's Drake Relays and national championships.

In the 400-meter relay UNO's best lineup of sprinters will also compete against South Dakota and Lincoln University. The final at Drake may look very similar at the 400-meter relay final in Abilene, Texas for the national championship.

The NCC Heptathlon may be a very successful meet for the Mavericks. Four Mavs have the ability to post high scores and possibly sweep the top three spots. Anastasia Kyvelidou, who won the indoor pentathlon, is favored to win this seven-event competition.

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## An NFL draft day to remember

DRAFT REVIEW BY CHRIS HARRINGTON  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The 2005 NFL draft was full of surprises and disappointments for several college players. This year's draft was full of underclassmen looking for that big time payoff in the league. It was a long, six-hour first round, and players had to be patient while waiting to be selected.

First off, tip your hats to the Auburn Tigers. The team had four players selected in the first round, which included the Miami Dolphins second pick, running back Ronnie Brown, Tampa Bay's fifth pick, running back Camell "Cadillac" Williams and the Washington Redskins ninth and 25th picks, defensive back Carlos Rogers and quarterback Jason Campbell.

Michigan wide receiver Braylon Edwards was the first receiver drafted, going third overall to the Cleveland Browns. That pick made sense, but South Carolina receiver Troy Williamson going to the Minnesota Vikings as the seventh overall pick was a gamble, considering Williamson will be asked to fill the shoes of Randy Moss. Utah junior quarterback Alex Smith got the first overall pick, ending all speculations of California quarterback Aaron Rodgers getting the bid. Rodgers dropped all the way down to 24th by the Green Bay Packers. This will be good for him though, because he will be learning from Brett Favre, one the greatest quarterbacks still playing the game. Favre has a history of his backups, like Kurt Warner, going on to future

success.

It seems that the Detroit Lions are trying to put together a receiving triple threat, by picking Mike Williams, the tenth overall pick out of Southern California, to join Roy Williams and Charles Rogers to help out quarterback Joey Harrington. Now there should be no excuses of why Harrington can't get the ball to his receivers.

The Tennessee Titans surprised their fans by selecting defensive back Adam "Pac Man" Jones out of West Virginia with the sixth overall pick. He was the first defensive player selected in the draft. Fans expected the Titans to snag Mike Williams to help out Steve McNair.

The very emotional Doak Walker Award-winning running back Cedric Benson out of Texas was the first Longhorn to go, with the fourth overall pick by Chicago Bears. For some reason, Benson expected to go lower than that with all the talk of the Auburn backs getting possible first overall selections.

I have to congratulate the Nebraska Cornhuskers, because for the first time since 1998, they had a first-round draft pick. The Oakland Raiders with the 24th overall pick selected defensive back Fabian Washington. *Sports Illustrated* recently ranked the Huskers as one of the worst programs in the NCAA when it comes to preparing players for the NFL. Nebraska also had two early second-round picks with linebacker Barrett Rudd and safety Josh Bullocks, but the surprise for the Cornhuskers was center Richie Incognito, who was kicked off the team but got drafted

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juniors and seniors decided to sign with us," Herbster said. "I guess Venus, Mercury and Saturn were aligned just so and bisected the angle of the moon just right in our case."

This is Herbster's first year at the helm of UNO's athletics department, and he is grateful to walk into this strong of a program. Even the teams that struggled last year found success this year under Herbster.

The school's only Division I program, the UNO hockey team, climbed out of its worst season ever last year, with just eight wins, winning 19 this year while earning its third trip to the Central Collegiate Hockey Association conference championships. The volleyball team bounced back from a 12-18 record in 2003 to a 17-11 mark this year. But the biggest turn around in 2004-2005 was the women's basketball team who crawled out of a seven-year drought where it had just one winning season. New Head Coach Patty Patton-Shearer led the team to a 14-14 record and gave serious hope to a fledgling program.

"It's a nice thing for me," Herbster said. "Since our teams will be reloading rather than rebuilding, I can focus on enhancing the programs instead of building them back up. I don't have to worry about making any changes since there are no glaring weaknesses in any of our programs."

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Akerly and Byers also have the talent to put themselves on top. Akerly, the surprise finisher at indoor nationals, could use the jumping and running events to boost her score. Byers is returning for her fifth year of competition. Julie Gass, a freshman from Valentine, Neb. could also surprise the NCC

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in the third round by the St. Louis Rams.

Last but not least of the surprises was the Denver Broncos taking Ohio State's running back Maurice Clarett with the last pick of the third round. Clarett didn't even know if he was going to get drafted, let alone get picked on the first day. After running 4.72 second and 4.82 40-yard dash times at his first NFL workout, you can't blame him, but he bettered that time by running a 4.62 in his second NFL workout. Denver's coach Mike Shanahan knew it was a risk, but he wanted to give Clarett a chance in his offense that includes several other running backs. Clarett said he's

Herbster also hopes that the successes of the program will help get more media coverage for UNO from the bigger local outlets and bring some of the Lincoln focus to Omaha.

"I've never understood how the media chooses what it will cover or what it will ignore," Herbster said. "What we have done with our sports program is, I think, at the very least newsworthy. Between our sports information directors and daily contact with the teams, we almost have to plant news stories. Athletics are probably the worst at self-promotion because you don't want to appear to be bragging. I always say that when you win, you want to act like you've done it before. It's part of good sportsmanship."

Most schools are lucky to have one program finish with any kind of postseason awards. With the five guaranteed conference championships and four more strong possibilities, not to mention the four top-10 national finishes it is safe to say that 2004-2005 UNO athletics program will go down as one of the greatest in the history of Division II sports. An accomplishment made even more amazing from a school that transitioned a brand new athletics director.

A rarity in the new age of college sports; an athletic program where everybody wins. A complete team effort.

and score points with a strong finish.

"We're hoping for a 1, 2, 3 and even our fourth athlete could place seventh or eighth," Hendricks said. "That gives us 25 points and starts us out pretty good."

The Drake Relays conclude Saturday, and the NCC Heptathlon finishes Tuesday.

ready to get back to work after taking a two-year absence from playing football.

The surprises weren't pleasant for all of the big name players. Former Oklahoma quarterback and Heisman Trophy winner Jason White and Michigan's All-America defensive back Ernest Shazor didn't even get drafted. Shazor stated that he still doesn't regret bypassing his senior year to enter the draft.

Purdue's quarterback Kyle Orton thought he would be first day pick, but he didn't get selected until early in the fourth round by the Chicago Bears.

## Underdog Love ...

In sports, we root for the underdog. Those are the stories that capture us. There was a reason that so many people suddenly became Boston Red Sox fans.

That was our game from the very beginning. Counted out more times than a Mike Tyson opponent. Less of a chance than Bobby Fisher versus a Mac Truck. Even when we think we had checkmate, life just ran over our game.

Hollywood loves the underdog. Every movie seems to have the Cinderella twist. There was a reason Disney's *Miracle* brought chills to the spine and tears to the eyes. That was our movie.

The guy in the white hat is always supposed to win. Ride off with the girl into the sunset.

America loves the underdog, because that is its foundation. Bill Murray's monologue from the military-comedy *Stripes* plays off that.

"We're underdogs. We're mutts ... But there's no animal that's more faithful, that's more loyal, more loveable than the mutt ... We're soldiers, American soldiers! We've been kicking ass for 200 years. We're 10 and 1."

And that's what makes us so perfect; the All-American couple. The boy who was named for a park dedicated to veterans and the girl who will become one. Faithful. Loveable. Impossible.

### Remember the Patriots

In 1776, the patriots fought against all odds for a 'new England.' The 2001 New England Patriots of the NFL also faced tremendous odds. Their starting quarterback goes down in battle and they had to turn to a new quarterback, a sixth round draft pick. That man, Tom Brady has now led his team to three Super Bowl wins and a new dynasty. The NFL's George Washington.

That is what sports teaches us. No matter how down you are. No matter how bad the odds are stacked against you. There is always a chance. There is always one more out. Sometimes you swing for the fences, and it goes over the wall. Sometimes they catch it at the warning track. Sometimes, you just may get another chance.

### The parallel

There were so many reasons not to play, that any sane person would not have. "Sounds like a lot of fun, but there is no way to win." For some reason, she and I played anyway.

Ups and downs along the way. We seemed to be up early, but somewhere in the third inning the scoreboard showed we were down big.

But even down a few touchdowns, you don't leave the game. You keep playing. We did, but it was clear any comeback would be out of the question. She was leaving, and I knew it.

When we fell further behind, there wasn't the blame you see between teammates. We had each made our errors, but the best teammates look past that. The best teams aren't the ones everyone thinks will win. They are the ones that work together, stick by each other's sides. They don't give up.

We may appear beaten. We may be down big. But we never truly lose unless we allow ourselves to.

### Love and life ... fooled again

In 2000, most of America went to bed thinking we had a new president. We woke up the next morning, it was a whole new ball game.

In the 1972 Munich Olympics, The U.S. basketball team won gold ... twice, only to hear the Soviet anthem after the final whistle. Heartbreaking, losing to your worst enemy in the Cold War, on the soil you fought together on during World War II.

In 1948, Dewey beat Truman, according to the newspapers. The president that led us out of World War II, was the actual victor after all ballots were counted.

Less than two months after its city suffered the greatest attack on U.S. soil since Pearl Harbor,

### Parker Adair



Can't Lose

the Yankees were about to win a fourth-consecutive World Series. I had drifted off to sleep thinking nobody could touch Mariano Rivera. I woke up in time to see Luis Gonzalez muscle out a blooper for the winning RBI, giving the Diamondbacks the 2001 World Series.

As many celebrated the win, many US troops were about to prepare for war. Into Afghanistan and later to Iraq, America would begin to

send its sons ... and daughters.

### In love and war

Almost four years after September 11, another ally is leaving. My best ally - my teammate, my leading lady - is leaving to make our world a better place. The girl I love with all my heart is leaving to stand up for the country I love with all my heart.

We knew it was a matter of time. The clock always strikes midnight on Cinderella stories. Some games you can do nothing but watch across the line of scrimmage as the opposing quarterback kneels out the clock. In the movies, they call it dramatic irony. In life it's just heartbreak. A great effort, but you came up short.

### Fair, is it fair?

Carlton Fisk waved fair the game winner in the 1977 World Series. His Red Sox lost Game 7. In 2003, it was Game 7 with the Yankees, and again the Red Sox fell short.

A year later, the Red Sox were down to their last five outs against the Yankees. Down three games to none, they didn't quit. They gave all they had, and they became the first professional sports team to win a seven-game series after being down 3-0. They did what was never supposed to happen. After 87 years of suffering, all was well in New England.

A World Series and a Super Bowl from two true teams that never gave up, sticking in it to the end. It was so unpredictable, they had to rewrite and re-film the ending to the remake of *Fever Pitch*.

### The 'never quit' lesson

The teammates keep playing. We started down three games to none. We've done whatever it takes to make sure we leave the game with no regrets. Leaving it all out there. Loving with all our hearts, and taking in the game - with all its good and bad. Double switches, fouled-off pitches, sacrifices and relievers have all been used to get through today. Win today and play tomorrow. You don't have to worry about Game 7 if you don't win Game 6. We've held nothing back.

No matter what happens, I know I've got the best teammate on my side. A true leading lady, makes her co-star look better than he is. She's made me better than I am.

"Don't give up; don't ever give up." I can hear Jim Valvano right now. "Laugh, think and cry. That's a heck of a day." That's our love.

Choke up. Every sports lesson I've ever learned comes streaming into my mind as I fight tears streaming down my face, because there's no crying in baseball.

It's all you can do. You've made it this far, gave too much not to swing. Who knows what happens in Game 6? At the end, the scoreboard may say we lost. We never lost because we stuck together, kept fighting. Me and my Million-dollar baby.

Play for today. Enjoy it while it's here, because Game 7 is only "if necessary."

The underdog is not supposed to win. America was supposed to lose to the British. We were never meant to be together. That never stops the ones who give all their heart.

The greatest victories come with the greatest risks. Box scores don't list it. It's not on the back of bubble gum cards. It isn't measured in fitness tests. But the one ingredient all winners have ... is heart.

Our last out, our last strike. Game 7 tomorrow? A Hollywood ending? The pitch ...

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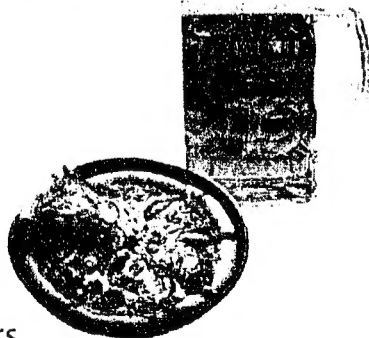
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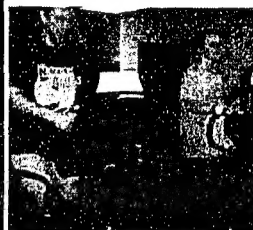
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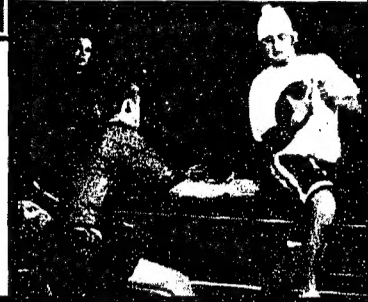
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wearing scrunched socks that stuck out a little bit. I think leg warmers would work for that look better than any socks, just make sure they don't stick out too much.

**Key Piece:** Tunic. These are usually cotton and a solid color, but there are many varieties in embellishments and lengths. The really oversized ones look really good belted. I've always wanted to try wearing one as a dress with cowboy boots, but I've yet to find one that would be long enough. **Dressing up?** Pair a tunic with a belt and some necklaces and bangles and cuffs, and layer over solid color capris, jeans or long shorts. **Dressing down?** Throw it over your swimsuit as a cover-up with some jean shorts.

These are just a few of my favorite looks for the season. Shop around and find a unique spin off one of these styles. Since they are trendy, try not to spend too much on any one. My cowboy boots? \$12!

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of the dark, tried-and-true NIN algorithms floating just beneath the surface. On "Love Is Not Enough," Reznor wails out "We cover ourselves in lies, but underneath we're not so tough/ And love is not enough" over a churning atmosphere of hollow percussion and buzzing synth-guitar.

One of the most unique songs on the album, "Sunspots" offers a paradoxical blend of prog rock and Reznor's newfound joy in reviving the retro sound of light and airy synth-pop cuts. Even more bizarre (but in a kick-ass sort of way) is the disco-beat-ridden "Only," which one can assume Reznor intended to have the same tongue-in-cheek posture as 1994's club smash, "Closer."

The album's moments of glory are the final two tracks, "Beside You In Time" and "Right Where It Belongs."

"Beside You" is a simple but richly-

layered reminder of the music that defines NIN. Insanely-processes guitar loops coupled with epic-sounding, colossal waves of sampled sound that draw a line in the sand, daring any band in the past, present and future to even *try* to emulate Reznor's composing genius. It's the only song on the entire album where the lyrics take a backseat to the music; a well-deserved vanity track that serves as a reminder to why you started listening to NIN in the first place.

Reznor's obligatory album-ending slow song on *With Teeth* takes its rightful place alongside his past collection of down-tempo heartstring-pullers like "Hurt" and "Something I Can Never Have." A reserved piano-driven ballad, "Right Where It Belongs" is a brutally honest cry of helplessness.

He asks: "What if everything around you isn't quite what it seems/ What if all the world you

think you know is an elaborate dream?"

His vocals rise to a rich swell as the piano is joined by a buzzing melody of distortion. A sample of crowd noise begins, probably from the Fragility 2.0 tour.

"And if you look at your reflection, is it all you want to be/ What if you could look right through the cracks/ Would you find yourself, find yourself afraid to see?"

Reznor is coming to terms with all the wickedness that's surrounded him over the last decade: drugs, booze, writer's block, diminished stardom and a greedy ex-manager who left him for broke.

He's still fighting against a perpetual current of pain, but at almost 40, he's learned to deal with it more elegantly. And if *With Teeth* is any indication of what's to come, Reznor's fans will have a lot to look forward to as they grow into adulthood alongside him.

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